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FILE TRANSFER SYSTEM AND METHOD



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 28 and 34 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 25, 30, 31 and 34 as follows:

25. (Amended) A system for transferring a file from a source location to a target location, comprising:

first logic control for determining the status of the transfer of the file from a source location to a target location and generating determined status information;

second logic control for generating a marker which holds a pointer to the source location of the data file; and

third logic control for retransmitting the file from the source location indicated by the pointer in the marker to the target location if the determined status information indicates that the transfer was incomplete.

wherein the markers generated by the second logic control are accessible to a computer system located at the source location and a computer system located at the target location.

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